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Who's new in the
Hall of Fame

Making an impact

Every seat
has a story

of Congregational Ministries Publishing. (543 Eastern Parkway, Louisville, KY 40217; michellescobba@yahoo.com)

Andrew and Sara Treat Chance announce the birth of a daughter, Madeline Frances Treat, Jan. 19. They also have a son, Seth. Andrew is a middle school teacher for Fayetteville Public Schools, and Sara is an instructor for Harding in Bentonville. (2536 N. Surtees Place, Fayetteville, AR 72704; szchance@harding.edu)

Jared Cleveland was hired as assistant commissioner for the Division of Fiscal and Administrative Services. He starts his new role in the Arkansas

Department of Education July 1. He has served as superintendent of the Lavaca district in Sebastian County for six years. He and his wife, Cristi, have three children. (1305 S. Division St., Lavaca, AR 72941)

Ted ('01) and Lisa Paden Dahlgren announce the birth of a son, Thor Andrew, Dec. 29, 2011. They also have a daughter, Teia. Ted is in training with the military, and Lisa is an artist and homemaker. (362 Buna Road, Seaside, CA 93955)

Jovan and Jennifer Tosic announce the birth of a daughter, Lillian "Lilly" Charlotte, Dec. 3, 2011. They have another daughter, Lainey. Jovan is a job cost

The top five things you shouldn't miss at Homecoming, Oct. 25-27

1. The **musical**, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat:" Let the full-color set pull you into one of Harding's most popular productions. Tickets may be purchased at www.hardingtickets.com.
2. The **football game** versus Arkansas Tech University: During halftime, see who will be crowned Homecoming queen. Tailgate beforehand at the Family Picnic, complete with petting zoo and inflatable games.



3. **Reunion opportunities:** From alumni chapel, class and club reunions, and the Heritage Circle Banquet honoring the classes of '42, '47, '52, '57 and '62, there are plenty of ways to reconnect with your former classmates.
4. **Bison Days:** High school juniors and seniors are invited to come share the Homecoming experience, hosted by the Admissions Office. Visit www.harding.edu/admissions/bison-days.html to register.
5. Much, much **more!** Events are constantly added to the Homecoming itinerary. Keep up to date at www.harding.edu/homecoming. We hope to see you this fall!

Living the wildlife

Samantha Holshbach ('10) Scheiman

grew up in rural Sheboygan County in Southeastern Wisconsin. She enjoyed a blissful childhood, largely spent exploring forests, prairies and glacial lakes in the Kettle Moraine State Forest. She made kayaking, cross-country skiing, biking and hiking trips with her parents, in addition to assisting them with the family vegetable garden and beehives. It was during her childhood that Scheiman fostered a passion for wildlife.

"My favorite toys were of the earth, not from a toy store," she said. "My passion for nature permeates everything I do. Since my late teens, birding has been an addictive hobby of mine and is actually what brought my husband and me together in 2007. We have found more than 300 birds in Arkansas and have expanded our bird watching pleasure to other countries, most recently Kenya."

Scheiman graduated from Harding with a bachelor's in print journalism. Her love for writing came from years of journaling.

"From these journaling experiences, I have become adept at writing about events succinctly," she said. "I developed a flair for other types of writing, such as composing feature stories and research papers."

Scheiman is currently working to obtain her master's in professional and technical writing from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. In this class, she is developing and finessing technical skills in indexing, science-writing, publishing, document design and teaching. Another skill being harvested in this class is grant writing, something with which Scheiman had no previous experience. Part of this class required her to write a grant proposal for a nonprofit organization. After approaching Audubon Arkansas, where her husband is the ornithologist, she began writing a grant for the organization.

"The proposal was complex, requiring text, maps, letters of support, photos, examples of signage and other details, so, for two months, I collaborated closely with Audubon Arkansas staff to ensure that everything was in order," she said. "This was a wonderful chance for me to experience a grant proposal's creation from start to finish with a satisfying end result: funding."

Ultimately, Scheiman helped Audubon Arkansas secure \$100,000 from the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission to construct a one-mile, ADA-approved wildlife observation trail behind the center. The trail will feature kiosks, benches, a boardwalk, and many other amenities showcasing a variety of wildlife and their habitats.

"The trail's close-to-home location, as well as its proximity to the airport and to the Audubon Center, will appeal to residents of the greater metropolitan area of Little Rock," Scheiman said. "There is something for everyone on this trail: for birders of all ages and experiences, runners, walkers, tourists wanting a view of local flora and fauna, and photographers eager to capture a vista of the city. The trail will be an outstanding amenity for the Granite Mountain neighborhood, one of the most underserved areas of Little Rock, the greater Little Rock area, and indeed, all of Arkansas." **H**

— Hannah Beall

